

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for automatically integrating digital data obtained from the interaction between an image pickup apparatus and a data-processing apparatus, comprising the steps of:

opening a text file by said data-processing apparatus;

picking up the image of a first object by said image pickup apparatus to provide first image data;

processing said first image data to provide first digital data, and saving automatically said first data into said text file performed by an optical characteristic recognition;

picking up the image of a second object by said image pick up apparatus to provide second image data; and

processing said second image data to provide second digital data, and saving automatically said second digital data into said text file including said first digital data performed by said optical characteristic recognition,

wherein said text file containing said first digital data and said second digital data, with texts and photos, are stored by a text editing program.

Claim 2 (Cancelled).

3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein said image pickup apparatus is ~~one selected from a group consisting of a scanner[,], a digital camera, and a digital video camera.~~

4. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein said first object and said second object are documents to be scanned.

Claims 5 and 6 (Cancelled).

7. (Original) The method according to claim 4 wherein said image pickup apparatus is an auto-feeding scanner.

8. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 7 ~~wherein after said picking up steps, said method~~ further comprises a step of executing automatically an application program by said data-processing apparatus to process said file.

Claim 9 (Cancelled).

10. (Original) The method according to claim 8 wherein said application program is an e-mail editor.

Claims 11-20 (Cancelled).